

**Chambers of Senior Judge William M. Nickerson**

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**William M. Nickerson**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1933  
Education: Virginia 1955 BA; Maryland 1962 LLB  
Began Service: 1990  
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable James K. Cullen, Supreme Bench of Baltimore City (1959-1962)

**Corporate:** Claims Examiner, United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company (1959)

**Judicial:** Associate Judge, Circuit Court for Baltimore County (1985-1990)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Whiteford, Taylor & Preston L.L.P.

**Military Service:** United States Coast Guard (1955-1959)

**Current Memberships:** Christian Legal Society; Maryland State Bar Association, Inc.; Wednesday Law Club

**Staff**

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**Marvin Joseph Garbis**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1936  
Education: Johns Hopkins 1958 BES; Harvard 1961 JD;  
Georgetown 1962 LLM  
Began Service: 1989  
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush  
Political Affiliation: Republican

**Government:** Attorney, Civil Trial Section, Tax Division, United States Department of Justice (1963-1967)

**Legal Practice:** Sole Practitioner (1967-1971); Partner, Garbis, Marvel & Jungmans; Garbis & Schwait (1971-1986); Member, Melnicove, Kaufman, Weiner, Smouse & Garbis (1986-1988); Member, Johnson & Gibbs (1988-1989)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; Federal Judges Association

**Staff**

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**Chambers of Senior Judge Peter J. Messitte**

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**Peter J. Messitte**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: July 17, 1941  
Education: Amherst 1963 BA; Chicago 1966 JD  
Began Service: September 1, 2008  
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton  
Political Affiliation: Democrat

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; The District of Columbia Bar; Federal Bar Association; Maryland State Bar Association, Inc.; Montgomery County Bar Association

**Staff**

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**Paul W. Grimm**  
Chief Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1951  
Education: New Mexico 1976 JD  
Began Service: 1997  
Term Expires: 2013

**Government:** Assistant States Attorney, County of Baltimore, Maryland (1980-1981); Assistant Attorney General, State of Maryland (1981-1984)

**Legal Practice:** Private Practice (1984-1997)

**Military Service:** Captain, United States Army (1976-1979)

**Staff**

Law Clerk **Lisa Yurwit** ..... (410) 962-7743  
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Term Expires: August 2011  
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**Chambers of Magistrate Judge Jillyn K. Schulze**

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**Jillyn K. Schulze**  
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1951  
Education: Maryland 1980 JD  
Began Service: October 24, 1994  
Term Expires: October 2010

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk, United States District Court (1980-1981)

**Government:** Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, United States Department of Justice (1981-1982); Counsel, Office of the Governor, State of Maryland (1991-1994)

**Chambers of Magistrate Judge Jillyn K. Schulze continued**

**Judicial:** Chief Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the District of Maryland (2006)

**Staff**

Law Clerk **Veronica Berruz** ..... (301) 344-3592  
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Education: Maryland Baltimore 2009 JD  
Secretary **Jo Wright** ..... (301) 344-3591

**Chambers of Magistrate Judge William G. Connelly**

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**William G. Connelly**  
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1952  
Education: Maryland 1973 BA, 1976 JD; Georgetown 1979 LLM  
Began Service: March 31, 1995  
Term Expires: March 30, 2011

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk, Maryland Circuit Court, Prince George's County (1976-1977)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Stern & Connelly (1981-1995)

**Military Service:** Active, United States Air Force (1977-1981); Reserves, United States Air Force (1981-2005)

**Staff**

Career Law Clerk **Natonne E. Kemp** ..... (301) 344-0627  
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Education: George Washington 1992 JD

**Chambers of Magistrate Judge Susan K. Gauvey**

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**Susan K. Gauvey**  
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1948  
Education: Northwestern 1973 JD  
Began Service: February 26, 1996  
Term Expires: February 26, 2012  
Political Affiliation: Democrat

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Morell E. Sharp, United States District Court for the Western District of Washington (1973-1974)

**Government:** Staff Attorney, Legal Aid Bureau, Mental Health Law Project (1975-1977); Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, State of Maryland (1979-1981)

**Legal Practice:** Venable, Baetjer & Howard (1986-1996)

**Current Memberships:** Federal Magistrate Judges Association; Maryland State Bar Association, Inc.; National Association of Women Judges; National Women's Law Center; Network 2000; Wranglers Law Club

**Staff**

Law Clerk **Heather R. Pruger** ..... (410) 962-4953  
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**Chambers of Magistrate Judge Charles B. Day**

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Tel: (301) 344-0393

**Charles B. Day**  
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1957  
Education: Maryland 1978 BA; American U 1980 MS;  
Maryland Law 1984 JD  
Began Service: February 18, 1997  
Term Expires: February 2013

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; The District of Columbia Bar; Maryland State Bar Association, Inc.

**Staff**

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**Chambers of Magistrate Judge James K. Bredar**

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**James K. Bredar**  
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1957  
Education: Harvard 1979 AB; Georgetown 1982 JD  
Began Service: January 26, 1998  
Term Expires: January 2014

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Richard P. Matsch, United States District Court for the District of Colorado

**Government:** Assistant U.S. Attorney, Colorado District, Executive Office for United States Attorneys, United States Department of Justice, Ronald Reagan Administration (1985-1989); Assistant Federal Public Defender, United States District Court for the District of Colorado (1989-1991); Federal Public Defender, United States District Court for the District of Maryland

**Nonprofit:** Project Director, Vera Institute of Justice (1991-1992)

**Current Memberships:** Federal Bar Association; Maryland State Bar Association, Inc.

**Staff**

Career Law Clerk **Beverly Peyton Griffith** ..... (410) 962-0950  
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**Chambers of Magistrate Judge Beth P. Gesner**

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**Beth P. Gesner**  
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1958  
Education: Indiana (PA) 1979 BA; Georgetown 1983 JD  
Began Service: May 1999

**Academic:** Adjunct Professor, Columbus School of Law, The Catholic University of America (1990-1999)

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk, Chambers of District Judge William Benson Bryant, United States District Court for the District of Columbia (1983-1984)

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